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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 190
By Turner (Ham)

A RESOLUTION To honor and commend Ray Sinor upon his receipt of the Outstanding NAMI Member award for 2001.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, One such noteworthy person is Ray Sinor, who has recently been recognized as the 2001 Outstanding National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) Member Award winner; and

WHEREAS, The Outstanding NAMI Member award is given in recognition of exceptional volunteer achievement of NAMI's goals of support, advocacy, research, and education and to honor long and illustrious service to the entire NAMI group; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sinor has served for more than 20 years, on a state and national level, to improve community-based care for people with serious and persistent mental illness; sometimes even opening his home to provide care and shelter for the homeless who are mentally ill; and

WHEREAS, He has conscientiously served NAMI as a Board Member and as President of NAMI Tennessee; and he also worked with NAMI Tennessee in providing the 100th Tennessee General Assembly with current mental illness information in regards to health insurance policies; information which built the foundation for the General Assembly's unanimous passing of what became Public Chapter 1042; and

WHEREAS, The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill will present Ray Sinor the Outstanding NAMI Member award during the 2001 Annual NAMI Convention, on the 14th of July, 2001 at the Annual Business Meeting; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sinor is an extremely giving person who has reached out with compassion to people who life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated volunteer, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Ray Sinor's thoughtful and personal dedication to individuals who suffer from mental illness has earned the heartfelt gratitude of the NAMI Board of Directors; and he has earned the respect and appreciation of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor Ray Sinor upon his receipt of the Outstanding National Alliance for the Mentally Ill Member award for 2001, commend him for his admirable and steadfast efforts on behalf of the mentally ill, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.